

CITY OF MILWAUKEE APPLICATION FOR ABSENTEE BALLOT
Please return this form to the City of Milwaukee Election Commission
200 East Wells Street, Room 501, Milwaukee, WI 53202
414-286-3491 / FAX 414-286-8445

- ☒ **YOU MUST BE REGISTERED TO VOTE AT YOUR CURRENT CITY OF MILWAUKEE ADDRESS IN ORDER TO RECEIVE AN ABSENTEE BALLOT.**

☒ **IF YOU ARE FAXING YOUR APPLICATION, YOU MUST STILL MAIL YOUR ORIGINAL APPLICATION OR INCLUDE IT IN THE CERTIFIED RETURN MAILING ENVELOPE WITH YOUR VOTED ABSENTEE BALLOT, OR YOUR BALLOT WILL NOT BE PROCESSED ON ELECTION DAY.**

☒ **PLEASE SEE ATTACHED DOCUMENT FOR VOTER PHOTO ID REQUIREMENTS.**

REQUIRED INFORMATION

_____ Voter Declaration: I certify that I am a qualified elector, a U. S. Citizen, at least 18 years old, having resided at the below residential address for at least 28 days immediately preceding this election, not currently serving a sentence including probation or parole for a felony conviction, and not otherwise disqualified from voting.

SECTION 1: SELECT REQUESTED ELECTION DATES

Mark the election(s) that you are requesting to receive an absentee ballot:

_____ **SPRING PRIMARY, FEBRUARY 21, 2012** _____ **SPRING ELECTION, APRIL 3, 2012**
_____ **FALL PRIMARY, AUGUST 14, 2012** _____ **FALL GENERAL ELECTION, NOVEMBER 6, 2012**

OR, YOU MAY REQUEST THAT AN ABSENTEE BALLOT BE SENT FOR EVERY ELECTION BY CERTIFYING THE FOLLOWING:

_____ I certify that I am indefinitely confined because of age, illness, infirmity or disability and request an absentee ballot be sent to me for every subsequent election until I am no longer confined or fail to return a ballot for an election.

SECTION 2: VOTER INFORMATION

Last Name _____

First Name _____ Middle Name _____

Date of Birth (MM/DD/YY) _____ Telephone (____) _____

Residence Address _____ Apt. Number _____

CITY OF MILWAUKEE STATE OF WISCONSIN Zip Code _____

If mailing address is different than above address, send ballot to:

Your Name or name of person to send ballot in care of: _____

Nursing Home Name (If Applicable) _____

Mailing Address _____ Apt. Number _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

SECTION 3: BALLOT DELIVERY INSTRUCTIONS FOR ACTIVE MILITARY AND OVERSEAS (INDEFINITELY AWAY) VOTERS ONLY

I prefer to receive my absentee ballot by: _____ MAIL _____ FAX _____ EMAIL

FAX NUMBER (with area code): _____ - _____ - _____ EMAIL: _____

NOTE: While ballots may be sent to voters by mail, fax or email, an application with the original signature, the completed ballot and accompanying Certificate Envelope must be RETURNED BY MAIL OR DELIVERED to the City of Milwaukee Election Commission.

 **SIGNATURE:** _____ **DATE:** _____

SECTION 4: Mark if you are a _____ Military or _____ Overseas Elector (Indefinitely Away)

ABSENTEE VOTING

Photo ID Required

- Wisconsin Act 23 (June, 2011) requires absentee electors to provide a copy of one of the **below listed** forms of photo identification when **submitting** an **application** for an absentee ballot. (Also see below list of exceptions.)
- This is a one time requirement as long as the electors name or address has not changed.
- The name on the photo identification **must** conform to the name on the absentee ballot application. Additionally, the name on the absentee ballot application must conform to the elector's name as it appears in the Statewide Voter Registration System (SVRS) database.
- If an elector fails to enclose a copy of their photo ID with their application, they will **not** receive an absentee ballot. Election Commission staff will attempt to contact those electors who failed to provide a copy of their photo identification.
- See below for "Exemptions to Photo ID Requirement" for electors indefinitely confined, in nursing homes and other qualified facilities.

Requests Submitted Electronically

- If an elector requests an absentee ballot **electronically** and fails to provide a copy of their photo identification with their application, they must enclose a copy with their absentee ballot.
- If an elector fails to provide a copy of their photo ID with their ballot, their ballot will **not** be processed on Election Day. It will be processed as a Provisional Ballot i.e., the elector has until 4 p.m. the Friday after Election Day to provide a copy of their photo ID or substitute document to the Election Commission, Room 501, 200 E. Wells Street, fax no. 286-8445.

Acceptable Forms of Photo Identification

(An acceptable photo ID is not required to have a current address.)

- A Wisconsin Department of Transportation-issued driver's license, even if driving privileges are revoked or suspended
- A Wisconsin Department of Transportation-issued identification card
- A military ID card issued by a U.S. uniformed service
- A U.S. passport

NOTE: Identifications above must have an expiration date after the November 2, 2010 general election.

- A photo ID card issued by a federally recognized Indian tribe in Wisconsin
- An unexpired driver's license receipt issued by the Wisconsin Department of Transportation
- An unexpired identification card receipt issued by the Wisconsin Department of Transportation
- A certificate of naturalization that was issued not earlier than two years before the date of an election at which it is presented
- A college/university ID that contains the following elements: 1. an issuance date; 2. an expiration date indicating that the card expires no later than two years after the date of issuance; and, 3. the student's signature.
Students using a student identification card must also provide separate proof of enrollment which shall include the school year or the semester during which the election takes place. A tuition fee receipt or letter from the college/university is acceptable.

Exceptions to the Photo ID Requirement and Other Acceptable Documents

1. An active military elector who votes absentee is exempt from the photo ID requirement.
2. An overseas elector who votes absentee is exempt from the photo ID requirement.
3. An elector who has a confidential listing as a result of domestic abuse, sexual assault, or stalking may provide a copy of their confidential identification card.
4. An elector who receives a citation or notice of intent to revoke or suspend an operator's license from a law enforcement officer in any jurisdiction that is dated within 60 days of the date of an election, and is required to surrender his or her operator's license or driving receipt issued to the elector at the time the citation or notice is issued, may provide an original copy of the citation or notice in lieu of a copy of an operator's license or driving receipt.
5. Indefinitely confined electors (permanent absentees) may provide a copy of their photo ID, but the witness certification on the absentee envelope will qualify as a substitute proof of ID.
6. Voters in care facilities visited by Special Voting Deputies (usually nursing homes) may provide a copy of their photo ID, but the witness certification, if signed by both Special Voting Deputies, qualifies as a substitute proof of ID.
7. Voters in other care facilities that are eligible for Special Voting Deputy procedures, but are not visited by Special Voting Deputies, may provide a copy of their photo ID or a certification statement signed by an authorized representative of the facility and also absentee ballot witness. If the voter is indefinitely confined, the witness certification on the absentee ballot envelope will also qualify as a substitute proof of ID.